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INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

This response is timely filed pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.8 and M.P.E.P. §512. If any additional charges are due, the Examiner is authorized to deduct such charges from Deposit Account No. 16-2480 in the name of The Procter & Gamble Company. Please amend the

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above-identified application as follows and consider the following remarks and reconsider the application.

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Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 8 of this paper.

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